

Spring Brings Tough Competition for Golf and Tennis

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Golf

The Hampden-Sydney golf team competed in the Taylor-Made/ADIDAS Intercollegiate on March 9-10 in hopes of starting off their spring season in winning fashion. The Tigers placed seventh in Detaww Island, SC after shooting 949 for the event. Individually, Brian Burt and Alex Simmons led HSC. Burt shot eleven over par and finished tenth. Simmons tied for eighteenth, shooting eighteen over par. Freshmen Austin Fockler and Parker Smith both finished in the 40th spot, shooting 28 over par. Next for Tiger Golf was the Jekyll Island College Invitational in Georgia. The Invitational took place over three days, March 13-15, and featured twenty teams

that were ranked in the Top-50 nationally. Hampden-Sydney and the University of La Verne both tied for ninth, at 36 over par. Burt and Simmons once again lead the group, shooting a total of 216 and 222, respectively. Smith ended the event in the 82nd spot. And Fockler tied with teammate Aaron Persily, as they both shot 235 and placed 106th. HSC got back into the swing of things on March 24, finishing fourth in the Bermuda Men's Collegiate behind Berry College, LaGrange, and Piedmont. The Tigers shot 99 over par. Burt, along with Ty Hampel from Berry College, ended the tournament at the number one spot, but Hampel got the tiebreaker. Senior Drew Arnold tied at the 20th spot overall after shooting 27 over par. And Fockler shot 32 over par, finishing 32 overall. The HSC golf team will compete in the Roanoke College Invitational on April 3-4 in Roanoke, VA.

Tennis

The tennis team fell to the Uni-

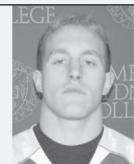
versity of Texas @ Dallas on March 17, losing the match 8-1. H-SC were defeated by two points in the first two flights, but Trent Singleton and Nathan Horvit took the third flight, winning 8-4. Tiebreakers ruled the #5 and #6 matches. Horvit fought back and won the second set, but his challenger ultimately took the tiebreaker, 8-10. Freshman Jedd Ditmar was the other Tiger to participate in a tiebreaker. Ditmar won his first set 6-3 but battled some adversity and fell in the second set which forced the tiebreak. It was close throughout, but Ditmar dropped the match, 14-16. Cross-town foe Longwood conquered the Hampden-Sydney tennis squad, 7-0, on Wednesday, March 18. Singleton and Horvit lost by 5 points, 3-8, at the #3 doubles flight. In the singles competition, Singleton went 2-6, 1-6 at #2 and Horvit went 2-6, 2-6 at the #5. At the #4 spot, David Anderson dropped a 2-6, 1-6 decision. The Tigers face the #5 ranked team in the region, Washington



A Tiger golfer aims for a dangerous green. Photo Credit: hscathletics.com

& Lee, on March 21 and came up short, losing 9-0. Singleton and Horvit, at the #2 doubles, fought hard but eventually lost 8-4. Horvit and teammate Patrick Bryant saw the #2 and #4 singles slip out of their hands at 6-2, 6-0. Dittmar was 6-1, 6-0 at the #5 flight. Emory & Henry won a 6-3 decision against Hampden-Sydney Tennis at Sweet Briar College on

March 22. Bryant and David Anderson were triumphant in the #1 doubles flight, winning 8-6. Singleton and Horvit were able to force a tiebreaker but found themselves on the losing end of #2 match. However, Bryant was victorious for the second time that day at the #2 singles flight, prevailing, 6-1, 6-2. Guilford College will be in town on Wednesday, March 25 to take on Tiger Tennis.

<i>-Max Dash '18</i> Tiger Takes H-SC athletes give their takes on off-field topics		Cook-Out or Bojangle's?	Last movie you cried at	Artist you'd most like to see perform at Greek Week	No one can beat me at _____	March Madness bracket champ
	Nash Nance '15 Football	Cook-Out	<i>50/50</i>	Reggie Watts	Ping Pong	Arizona
	Mike Murray '16 Basketball	Bojangle's, of course	<i>Passion of The Christ</i>	Florida Georgia Line, Bruce Hornsby, or NEEDTOBREATHE	Basketball	Kentucky
	Jared Arntzen '17 Lacrosse	Cook-Out, because of the milkshakes	<i>Safe Haven</i>	DJ Fuego <i>feat.</i> Riff Raff	NHL	Northern Iowa
	Patrick Bryant '18 Tennis	Bojangle's	<i>Marley and Me</i>	Widespread Panic	Procrastinating	NC State

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The Toledo Affair: What Really Happened with President Howard in Ohio?

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After hearing about a contract extension that was surrounded by controversy back in December, students were surprised to hear through social media that Dr. Howard was running for President of University of Toledo. Press coverage ranged from praising him for his potential contributions to UT to student newspapers decrying him for his inability to communicate. The *Tiger* sat down and spoke with President Howard about how he got involved in the election process and why he ultimately chose to drop out of the race.

Other candidates that were in the running for the presidency included Dr. Michele Wheatley of West Virginia University and Dr. Sharon Gaber from University of Arkansas. Howard's involvement with the election came as a surprise to many, as he recently appeared to be committed to HSC for the long term.



Howard speaks at the University of Toledo. Photo Credit: toledoblade.com

In an article covered by the *Tiger* back in December, Chairman of the Board Tom Allen was questioned about a review being conducted of Dr. Howard. The review found that

he had “increased the number of out of state students, increased the retention rate, and increased the endowment by over thirty million dollars since he came to Hampden-

Sydney in July 2009.” The result of these efforts was Dr. Howard receiving an indefinite renewal on his contract. Allen had commented that the board was “very proud of his achievements, we think he’s doing an excellent job, and we want to keep him for as long as we can.”

It was only a mere two months after the extension was awarded that news broke that Dr. Howard was applying for the job opening as President of University of Toledo. Dr. Howard mentioned that he had heard of the job opening after he was “approached by friends, a search consultant, and eventually a member of the [Toledo] board reached out to me.” Despite Chairman Allen being openly committed to Dr. Howard maintaining his presidency on the Hill, he was supportive of Howard pursuing outside interests. Howard commented, “Even the chairman said that ‘Chris owes it to himself to look at other opportunities.’”

His cover letter praised what he saw in Toledo, citing UT as an “exemplar for 21st century education.” Howard goes on to applaud the university’s science programs, specifically their health sciences

and the recent merging with the Medical School of Ohio. In contrast, the reality is that Howard is signed up as the president of a liberal arts college that prides itself on not being a 21st century college.

As the election process moved forward, student and local media offered their own analyses of the candidates. The *Blade*, a local Toledo newspaper, commented on Dr. Howard, saying that “he drew high marks from some students as well as diversity advocates, who pointed out that he would be the first African American to lead UT.” UT’s student newspaper, the *Independent Collegian*, gave its own review of the candidates. The *Collegian* showed favor towards Sharon Gaber, citing that “she has the vision to unify the university while still respecting the individuality of each group on campus.” However, in regards to President Howard, many students noted that “UT needs someone who is willing to be open with students.” He had granted us, the *Tiger*, an interview about his candidacy, but declined to do the same for the *Collegian*.

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Russell Turner ‘92 Leads UC Irvine Basketball to Unprecedented Success, NCAA Tournament

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When UC Irvine—a 13 seed playing in their first ever NCAA tournament game—came within one possession of upsetting perennial powerhouse Louisville this past Friday, millions of college basketball fans were introduced to the Big West Conference’s Coach of the Year, Russell Turner ‘92. Decades before he was putting Anteater Basketball on the map as a coach, he was putting Tiger basketball on the map as a player.

Much like when he arrived in Irvine as head coach, when Turner arrived at Hampden-Sydney as a freshman in the fall of 1988, H-SC had never reached the NCAA Tournament (D3). Fortunately for the Tigers, Turner saw that drought as an opportunity to establish a new era.

“Hampden-Sydney was just the perfect fit for me and I’m fortunate to have found it,” Turner

said. “I chose the school mainly because of Coach [Tony] Shaver, and the opportunity that I thought I would have there to be a part of something special with the basketball program, and that ended up being just the way it worked out.”

And work out it did. In fact, special is probably an understatement of Turner’s Hall of Fame career at H-SC. As a freshman, Turner averaged

over 20 points a game—something he did every season—while helping lead the Tigers to their first ever NCAA Tournament. As a senior he led them back, this time reaching the Sweet 16, while averaging a double-double to boot.

Turner finished his career with more accolades than I can fit into my word count. Most notably, he is the school’s all-time leading scorer (2,272), and only two-time All-American.

A year after graduating, Turner returned to H-SC to serve as an assistant coach. This meant he would now be the coach of many of his former teammates, including current H-SC head coach Dee Vick ‘94.

“It was a bit awkward having a former teammate coach me,” Vick said, “but he had everyone’s respect, so it made the transition pretty smooth.”

In that one year on the Tigers’ bench, Turner served under H-SC Hall of Fame head coach Tony Shaver, who is currently the head coach of William and Mary.

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Turner. Photo Credit: ucirvinesports.com

Tuition to Increase as CAC Budget, Activity Fees Grow

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We witness another tuition increase on the Hill: the College has proposed to raise tuition by 5% next year, while the student activities fee has been increased to \$442 from \$242. According to Charles Graves Anthony ‘16, the primary reason the student activities fee was increased is “due to the danger of (clubs) overspending ... (and) so that we’re not faced with tough decisions such as: do we limit CAC funding because we overspent, or do we take money away from clubs?” The fee increase puts us in line with the fees of other small schools; both Wabash College and Washington and Lee University have student activities fees close to \$500. “We can get bigger acts and bigger names,” Anthony explains, because bands are booked based on how much money

can be allocated. “The change will benefit all clubs.” After the idea to raise this fee had been thrown around for a while, the Board of Trustees decided to approve it.

Glen Culley, Vice President of Business Affairs and Finance, and Mike Smith, Controller at the Business Office, explained the general tuition increase: last fall, the campus Budget Planning Committee convened to make a budget that will be finalized later this year by President Howard and the Board of Trustees. A current 5% endowment spending rate is proposed to be reduced to 4.9%; in comparison, the average for similar colleges to ours is 4.7%. Mr. Smith was involved in computing the proposed tuition changes. Mr. Culley explains that the challenge with making the budget plan is that “students are making deposits later and later — we don’t know what enrollment is (until then) ... We get weekly updates from Admissions,

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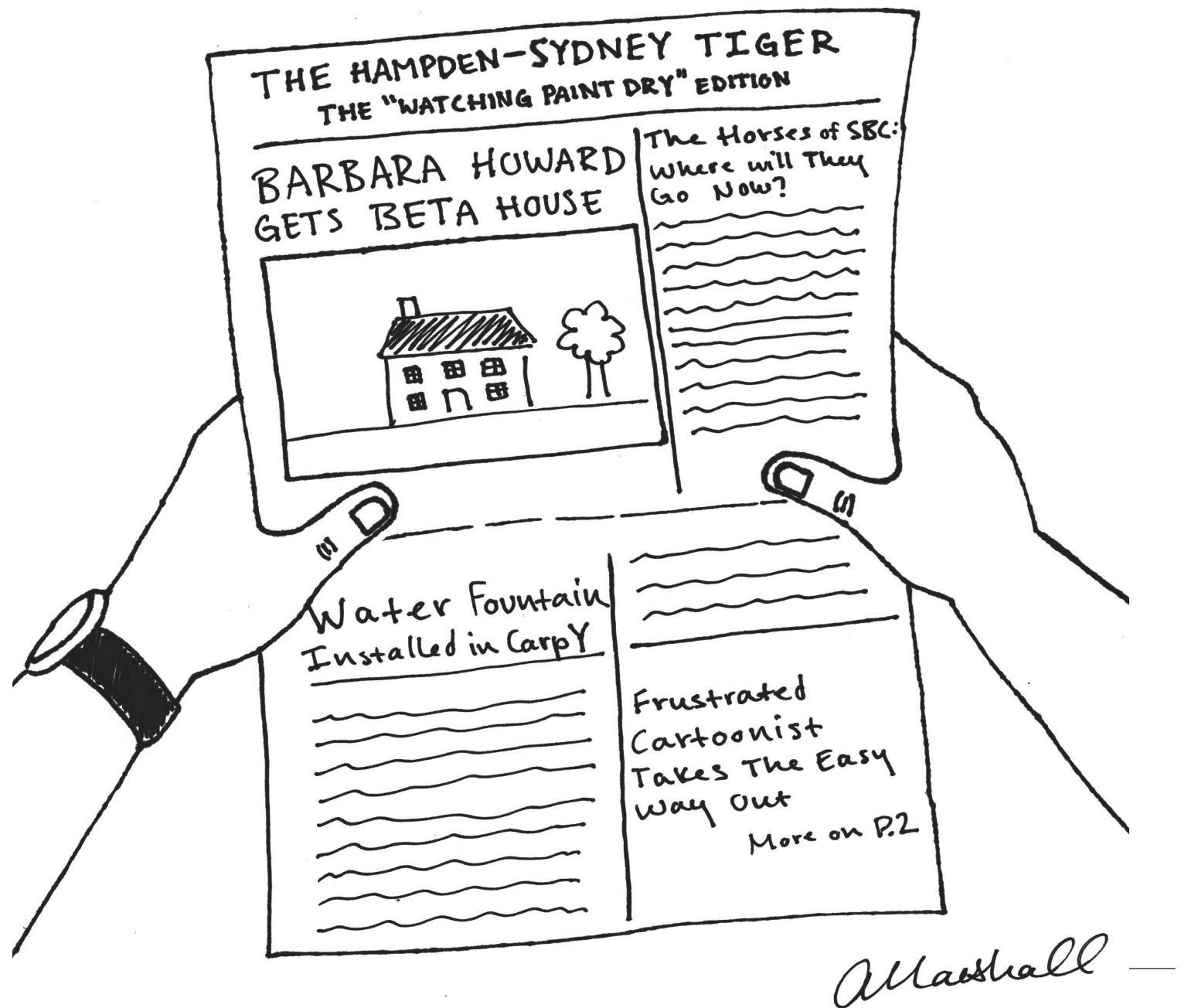
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Letters to the Editor



Hampden-Sydney Men Are a Bunch of Whiners

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The food at Hampden-Sydney College, one can say, is something of legend. Having eaten hundreds of meals in Pannill Commons, there is one question that has crossed my mind dozens of times as I stare down at my plate at whatever meal I may be eating that particular day: "Is the food the food they say it is?" I often look at the back wall and read the posters advertising fresh quality food and ponder as to whether Thompson Hospitality is lying to us, or if the rumors are true.

The *Tiger* decided to investigate this question and determine whether the food we are being served is

really the food they say it is. We talked to Aaron Robertson, head of Dining Services at Hampden-Sydney College. He claimed that all of the posters are true. For example, all of the eggs used are from cage free chickens, all of the seafood is from renewable resources, and the majority of the produce is local from places such as Sunnyside Farms in Cumberland and Kirby Farms in Mechanicsville.

After a short interview, Mr. Robertson, accompanied by the head chef, led us around the kitchens for a tour. He led us around to all of the freezers, where we were greeted by a plethora of fresh vegetables, fruits, and meats. They explained that the meat served is of "select" grade, with

slightly more fat than "prime" and "choice" grades in order to give it more flavor. In our tour we were extremely impressed by the lengths that the staff went to provide fresh food, even in the winter. We saw no canned food in the kitchen, and the only "heat and eat" foods were the foods in the burger line, such as hotdogs, hamburgers, fries, etc. Mr. Robertson said that he is more than willing to take students back into the kitchens. He wants to disperse whatever rumors or false thoughts students may have about the food.

Members of the *Tiger* have come to the conclusion that the food is everything that they say it is. THC provides everything that they say they do, despite the fact that

it may not be cooked to the standards that most Hampden-Sydney students are used to. When students complain about "bad food," they point to a Princeton Review that states that Hampden-Sydney is ranked to be one of the colleges with the worst food. This rating, however, is taken by student feedback and not actual comparisons to other colleges by members of the Princeton Review. In essence, the food at Hampden-Sydney is merely bad due to the stigma attached to it. For it to get better, Hampden-Sydney needs to either Man Up and quit whining, or offer helpful suggestions to Mr. Robertson. And then I'm sure everybody will see the food get a lot better.



TIGER SPORTS

Lacrosse Weathers Inconsistent Stretch as Key Matchups Loom

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After getting off to a slow start, the Hampden-Sydney lacrosse team has continued its inconsistent ways in recent weeks. An impressive road victory at a conference for Shenandoah was bracketed by losses at Salisbury and Roanoke during the month of March.

H-SC traveled to Salisbury University on March 11th for a tough test against the 17th ranked team in Division III. Salisbury's Seagulls proved their quality, as the Tigers were defeated, 13-4. Salisbury dominated in every facet of the game, winning 14 of 21 face-offs and taking 47 shots to H-SC's 21.

Salisbury struck quickly, scoring the first two goals of the game. Sophomore, Duncan Morris, got the Tigers on the board, scoring at the 8:44 mark. The Seagulls controlled the action for the final three quarters, scoring the next eight goals before an answer came from H-SC.

Senior, Fleet Jernigan, and juniors, Abbot Wallenborn and Jake Kofert, scored the final three goals for the Tigers. Senior goalkeeper, David Noftsinger, recorded 10 saves in the loss.

It was a quick turnaround for H-SC, as they traveled to

Shenandoah on March 14th for their ODAC opener. The Tigers bounced back with a tremendous effort in a 19-7 victory, scoring 14 consecutive goals in the process.

H-SC dominated the stat sheet from the game, with significant advantages in ground balls won (51-19) and shots taken (51-27). The Tigers also won 25 of 30 face-offs and forced 19 turnovers.

Senior, Dontae Buck, played a starring role in the win. After Shenandoah scored the first goal, Buck won the ensuing face-off and scored just 13 seconds later, the first of the 14 consecutive scores. Buck went on to win 19 of 20 face-offs, collect 11 ground balls, and record an assist to go along with his own goal.

Seniors, Thomas Armstrong and Mike Funk, each scored two goals, as did sophomore, Duncan Morris, and freshman, John Burke. Freshman, Hunter Brown, posted an impressive stat line, recording a goal and an assist, five ground balls won, and forced two turnovers. Fellow freshman, Wilson Booth, won 6 of 10 face-offs.

The Tigers traveled to Roanoke on March 21st for another ODAC road test. It was a disappointing defeat for H-SC, as a three-goal lead in the fourth quarter turned into an 11-10 final loss.

The game's stats were indicative

of the event's competitive nature. Roanoke took 57 shots to the Tigers' 29, but only 27 of those were on goal as many flew high or wide. H-SC won 13 of 25 face-offs and lost the ground ball tally 30-28.

The Tigers got off to a strong start in the first quarter in Roanoke, taking a 3-0 lead with goals from Duncan Morris, Thomas Armstrong, and freshman Ian Levin. Roanoke answered back with a quick goal in the second quarter, but two quick goals from senior, James Hughes, gave H-SC a 5-1 lead.

Roanoke found some momentum and the back of net just before the half to make the score 5-2 at the interval. Armstrong and Morris each scored early in the third quarter, but three Roanoke goals in the final four minutes of the game made it 7-6 in favor of the Tigers after three quarters.

James Hughes and Mike Funk scored two quick goals in the fourth quarter, giving H-SC a 9-6 lead with 10:14 remaining. Roanoke then went on a run of five consecutive goals, going up by two at the 2:59 mark.

Abbot Wallenborn brought the Tigers within a point of Roanoke with a goal at the 2:11 mark. However, a final offensive assault was halted as Roanoke sealed the win.

James Hughes recorded his

second consecutive hat trick on the day, while Armstrong and Morris each scored twice. David Noftsinger recorded 16 saves.

The Tigers returned home on March 25th to face Guilford. H-SC came away with a 9-6 victory in a low-scoring affair. The team again dominated the stat sheet, with advantages in face-offs and ground balls won, (14-4) and (31-24) respectively.

Jake Kofert recorded a hat trick on the night, as well as contributing an assist. Mike Funk scored two more goals and also recorded an assist.

The game started out slowly for the Tigers, as they were out-

scored 3-1 in the first quarter. However, the second quarter was 3-0 in favor of H-SC, with goals by Levin, Jernigan, and Funk, giving the Tigers a 4-3 lead at the half.

It was a competitive third quarter, as goals from Kofert, Armstrong, and Funk made it 7-5 H-SC after three quarters. The Tigers tacked on two more goals in the 4th to seal the win.

Hampden-Sydney's overall record now sits at 3-4, with a 1-1 ODAC record. The Tigers will return to action this Saturday, March 28th, in a game against Washington & Lee under the lights of Hellmuth-Pritzlaff Field at 7 PM.



James Hughes evades defenders against Roanoke. Photo Credit: hscathletics.com

Tiger Baseball Stumbles in Conference, but Beats Macon!

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The Hampden Sydney baseball team spent the bulk of Spring Break in Port Charlotte, Florida for the Snowbird Classic. However, the Tigers fell into a slump and they could not pull out a victory while in Florida. After Spring Break, the team returned to the Commonwealth to take on ODAC foes, which produced mixed results.

We pick up the action with three days of doubleheaders for the Tigers. On March 8, the Tigers faced Baldwin Wallace University in the first game of the Snowbird Classic. Unfortunately, Hampden Sydney's bats could not make any significant noise, and the Tigers lost 7-1. Designated hitter Reggie Johnson managed to go 2-4, and Hayden Basse racked up a pinch hit RBI. Despite the loss, pitcher Zach Whitaker struck out 4 Baldwin Wallace batters.

The next opponent for Hampden

Sydney was Heidelberg University. Heidelberg owned the game as the Tigers were shut out 6-0. Luckily, Dustin Wiles, Christian Hamlett, and Reggie Johnson secured hits, so the team avoided being no-hit.

The next day, March 9, the team took to the field for another day of doubleheader action. A nail-biting game between the Tigers and St. John Fisher College took place in which it took 14 innings to de-

cide a winner. An unfortunate balk cost the Tigers the game, and they lost 3-2. However, there are still some positives to take away from the long game, including catcher Jack Elliot's 4-6 performance at the plate. Right fielder Moe Gothe and Shortstop Jackson Rogers each had an RBI, too. Pitcher Reggie Johnson took a no decision with his 6 shutout-inning performance that included 7 strikeouts.



Shortstop Jackson Rogers prepares to field a ball. Photo Credit: hscathletics.com

The following game was against the fellow all-male liberal arts college Wabash. Both teams had their offenses explode before the halfway point of the game. Wabash scored 4 runs in the 2nd inning, and the Tigers tied the game in the 5th inning. However, Wabash would later score to take the victory 6-4. Center fielder Cody Smith went 2-5, including a 2 RBI double in the 4th inning, and Shortstop Ryan Haynie went 2-4.

After a much-needed day off, the doubleheader action resumed on March 11. The first opponent on the 11th was Ohio Wesleyan University. The Tigers fell short against Ohio Wesleyan as the final score was 6-1. Some highlights for the Tigers include centerfielder Spencer Wiles who went 3-4, and shortstop Jackson Rogers recorded an RBI thanks to a bases-loaded walk. The pitching staff combined for 8 strikeouts, but they could not hold off the Ohio Wesleyan bats.

The final Florida game for Hampden Sydney took place against Muskingum University. The

game featured a combined 16 runs, but a 5 run 3rd inning propelled Muskingum to a convincing 10-6 victory. The Tiger bats flourished, though, as shortstop Jackson Rogers went 4-5 with an RBI. Left fielder Christian Hamlett also recorded an RBI on a fly out in the 6th inning. Kudos to third baseman Lee Carneal, who hit a 3-run home run in the 5th inning. It was pleasant to have some hot offensive action in the sunshine state, but the team was poised for a turnaround when they returned to Virginia.

On March 15, Hampden Sydney faced the Roanoke College Maroons in a doubleheader of ODAC play. The first game belonged to the Tigers, as they snapped a brutal 8 game losing streak with a morale-boosting 4-0 victory. First baseman Jeff Gray went 2-4 and had 2 RBI while Lee Carneal and John Lloyd each had an RBI. Reggie Johnson had an excellent game on the mound as he pitched a complete game shutout that included 8 strikeouts.

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Tiger Reviews

The Order: 1886 Sony Computer Entertainment ★★★★☆

Being one of the first PlayStation 4 exclusives of the year, *The Order: 1886* was highly anticipated by gamers everywhere; I myself was very eager to play this beautiful-looking game. The game is set in the Victorian era in London, England. It tells the story of a man named Galahad, who is a knight in a secret organization known as the Order. In this time, the Order are battling against a subhuman species known as the half-breeds, and are struggling badly. However, the game so far has been met with mixed reviews, some of which praise the game, others that totally bash it. I took these reviews with a grain of salt when I first heard them. After all, it's my opinion that really matters. I bought the game on the day it was released and went home to play it. Now having done so, I have come to my conclusion on the game. There are definitely pros and cons to it. It's easy to see why some people hate it, and why some people think the opposite. I'll start with the pros.

Despite being set in the nineteenth century, the developers have given *The Order: 1886* a real twist, and have included things that were never present during the time period or never existed to begin with. For example, gunplay plays a large role in *The Order*. However, some of the guns in the game are entirely fictional such as the M86

Thermite rifle. This is a gun that can fire a shot that is flammable causing the enemy to catch on fire if hit. *The Order* is filled with various weapons that allow the player to experiment and get a good taste of which gun they like best.

When I heard that *The Order* was going to be a third-person shooter, I was really excited. I am a big fan of third person shooters, particularly the *Uncharted* series, the *Last of Us*, and *Resident Evil*. *The Order: 1886* doesn't add anything new in terms of third-person shooting gameplay mechanics, but that's alright. It's the same classic, over the shoulder kind of shooting that I love.

The Order: 1886 has, without a doubt, the best graphics I have ever seen in a video game. I often found myself staring in awe at the intricate details that the developers used to create this truly beautiful world. There were times when I thought I was looking at a movie instead of playing a video game, which only goes to show how far technology has come.

Despite its beautiful visuals and solid gameplay, *The Order* does fall short in a few major categories. The first of which, one that everyone is complaining about, is the length. Yes, the game is very short (you can actually complete it in 6 hours). I myself do not care about the length of a video game. I believe in quality over quantity, and as long as the game is enjoyable, that's all that matters.

Some of the other downsides in *The Order: 1886* however, are hard to ignore. I mentioned earlier that there were times when I thought I was looking at a movie instead

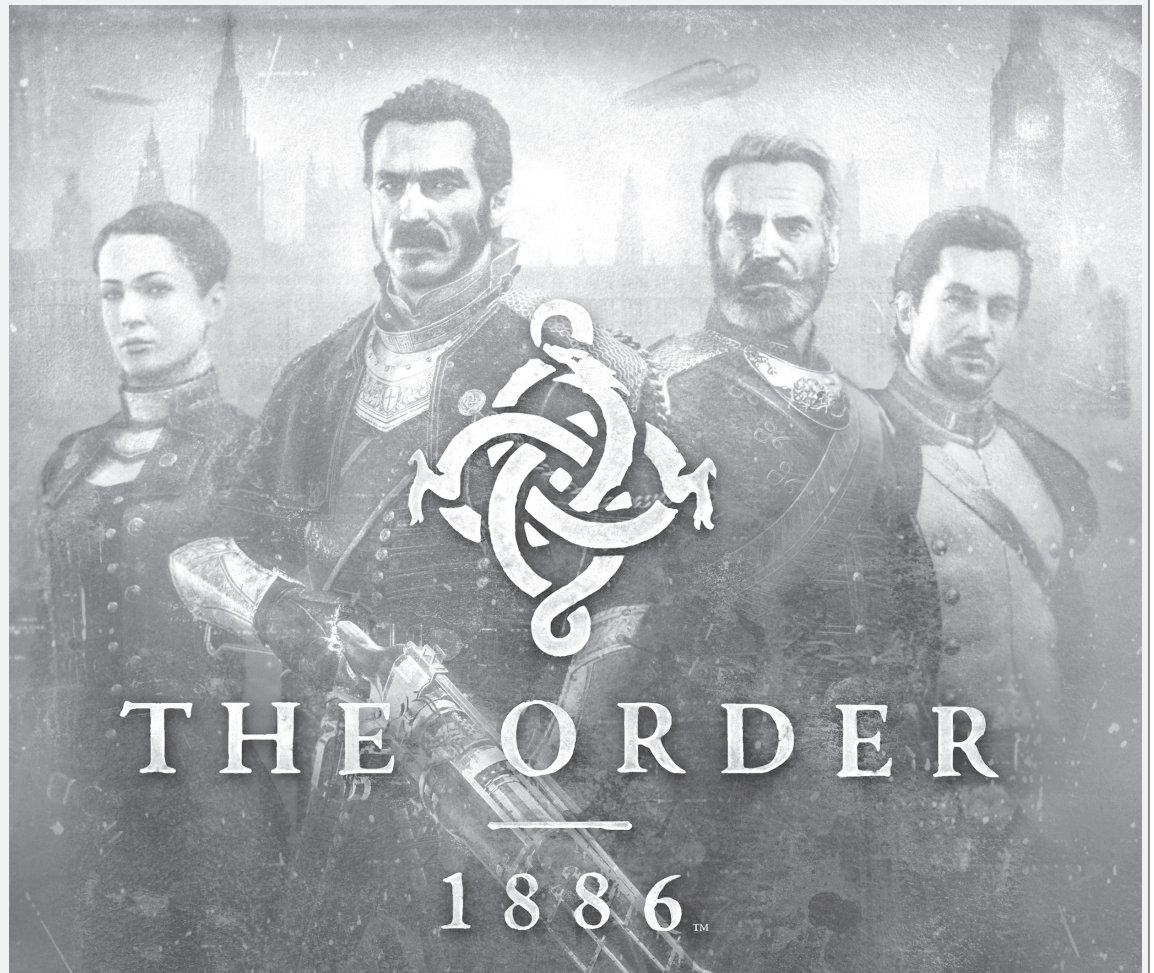
of playing a video game. I truly meant that. There are a lot of cut scenes in the game; some people say too many. Even though I enjoyed what was happening during the cut scenes, I couldn't help but want to get back in the driver's seat, and actually play the game. Secondly, the lack of multiplayer in the game is problematic. Most gamers nowadays are really into the multiplayer aspect of video games. They enjoy

playing against their friends, and having a good time. However, they cannot do that with *The Order*. I myself have never been a big fan of multiplayer (I much prefer to play by myself) but that doesn't mean I dislike it or think that it shouldn't exist. Multiplayer provides an extra challenge to the players, and it offers more fun as you can play against people you personally know.

All in all, *The Order: 1886* is a

good game. It feels like a cross between *Heavy Rain* and *Uncharted* combined with the quick time events, and third-person shooting mechanics. I enjoyed playing it, and even though I can see why some people hate it, that's alright. Haters are going to hate. At the end of the day, everyone is entitled to their own opinion. Just remember that it's your opinion that matters most.

-Drew Dickerson '17



Fighting for SBC Continued

reotype of pearls at a tailgate, a bell run, learning about tap clubs, or attending Founder's Day, the rose donation gives to those memories and more. Ballance, as a member of the H-SC Museum Board, also has had the initiative to open an exhibit for Sweet Briar as support and memory of such a prized and unique college to us. Most special though is his newest venture, "Shop for Sweet Briar." Companies like Collared Greens, Penington Bailes, Southern Proper, JT Spencer, Cowgirls for a Cause, Dogwood Black, and Country Club Prep have agreed to creating clothing specific to the H-SC/SBC demographic for the cause of saving Sweet Briar with proceeds benefitting both theirs and our college. The unfortunate and sudden closing of Sweet Briar has made

headline news, which is actually... great. Simply promoting the cause shows the value placed in their existence and therefore helps immensely. The beauty of Sweet Briar must be recognized by us *and* the world at large so that the attention brought by us could help save the historic college that we gain so much from.

Our college gates translate to "Come here as youths so that you may leave as men," the word "so" suggests that we are still boys while in our undergraduate careers and provides the choice to mature from boyhood; the movement to save Sweet Briar and its legacy could be that choice that marks our change from boys to men. Continue to fight and realize the potential that students, alumni, faculty, staff, and guests of Hampden-Sydney are capable of possessing and make the difference. The closing of Sweet Briar is not just *their* problem, it is *our* problem.

Howard & Toledo Continued

"Instead of interviewing with us, he blew us off, referring us to his cover letter and refusing to answer our questions. We are not impressed."

Five days after the editorial was published, Howard sud-

denly dropped out of the race.

He made an announcement with a post on Facebook, stating, "After significant thought and discussion with family and members of the Hampden-Sydney community, I have decided to withdraw my candidacy for president of the University of Toledo."

When asked why he sudden-

ly dropped out, he said, "There's some unfinished business here at Hampden-Sydney, and I think that I can be a part of achieving some of the goals we've set forth as an institution, as a board, as a community and I kind of want to see those things through". He summed it up, saying that "the grass is pretty dang green over here."



The Visual Arts Center at the University of Toledo, where Dr. Howard applied before withdrawing. Photo Credit: utoledo.edu



OPINION

Funny Thing about Our Honor Code

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Before a freshman spends his first night on campus as a student, he signs a sheet of paper that states, "I understand and hereby accept the Hampden-Sydney Honor Code, which is not only a tradition but an inseparable part of the life of the College... I am aware that my signature below certifies acceptance of the Honor Code during all my student days at Hampden-Sydney College." The Code demands that students neither lie, nor cheat, nor steal, nor tolerate those who do. A Hampden-Sydney man is to act as a gentleman at all times, and it is his responsibility to know and understand the Code; ignorance is not an excuse for misconduct.

At this point in the year, I'm sure many of us have known someone, a friend or maybe just an acquaintance, that has been removed from this campus because they have failed to uphold this code that they are required to follow. Our Honor Code is nationally recognized and admired, and it is honestly one of the reasons I came to this school – but there is something lacking

in our code. Students are held to the highest standard to uphold the code, but why are other members of our community also not required to do so? Faculty, staff, and alumni cannot be reprimanded for their breaking the student's code, because it is just that, a student's code.

Our website states that "every student is concerned with the strict observance of those principles (the Honor Code) for his own sake, for the sake of his fellow students, and for the sake of the college" and that "students, faculty members, and administrators place the highest value on integrity and honesty, and all support the Honor System." If we hold the code in such high regards, and all support the system, then why does only half of the active community here at H-SC have to adhere to the Key? All non-student affiliates to the College can lie, cheat, and steal as much as they want and face no repercussions – from the school, of course; legal repercussions are something else entirely – while students can be punished for using a fake ID on Spring Break while vacationing in Florida. It seems that leading by example is not part of the Hampden-Sydney experience.

Similarly, "the Code defines all of a student's interactions – academic, professional, and social. The Honor Code applies in all times and in all places." If the code truly applies in all times and places, should our alumni not also be held accountable? Our alumni represent our college all across the world, in many cases as leaders. Keeping these men honest and holding them accountable as the Hampden-Sydney men that they are should be part of the code. Current students have 24 hours to leave campus, and they are not welcome to return after it is determined that they violated the code; former students should be held to such a standard. If an alumnus, or faculty, or staff member is caught lying, cheating, or stealing, they should no longer be allowed to affiliate with the college, and also no longer be welcome.

When you dedicate part of your life to the College, as a student, teacher, or staff member, you become a Tiger. As Tigers, we should all follow the Code that is the foundation of our community and way of life. We are all Tigers, and we should be treated as such, and be held to the highest of standards.

Defending (a Lack of) Grade Inflation

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Before I came to Hampden-Sydney, I had a number of people approach me and say the exact same thing. "Remember," they told me, "it's easy to get into Hampden-Sydney, but hard to stay." Without knowing any better, I assumed they were speaking about students that had missed too many classes, or those who had spent a few too many nights on The Circle, though I was sorely mistaken. Hampden-Sydney's lack of grade inflation means that our students have to earn their grades. This practice has allowed us to develop a stronger work ethic while enhancing the quality and standards of our education, which better prepare our graduates for conditions in the real world.

In recent years, colleges and universities across the United States have begun to inflate the grades of their students. The practice of grade inflation has made it possible for institutions to post higher average GPAs. These false averages, which give the impression that students are performing better in their classes than students at other schools, can lead to a higher national ranking, outside funding for school projects, and more of applications for admission. According to the University of Virginia's website, the average GPA for all students increased from

a 3.13 in 2000 to a 3.29 in 2013.

In comparison, Hampden-Sydney has maintained a lower and more stagnant GPA average: 2.74 between 2000 and 2014, and a school average of 2.77 for the 2014-15 academic school year. By maintaining a lack of grade inflation, Hampden-Sydney provides its students the opportunity to earn their grades, thus increasing the quality and value of our education. According to a study conducted by Stuart Rojstaczer, a former Duke professor and founder of gradeinflation.com, ranked Hampden-Sydney in the top ten for hardest schools to get an A. His report shows that our students have to work harder to receive the same grades that students at UVA or William and Mary do.

While grade inflation may improve a student's GPA, it does not improve the quality of an education. By maintaining its academic integrity and not giving students inflated grades, Hampden-Sydney has established itself as a vestige for both integrity and true knowledge. In rising to meet these academic challenges, our students are better prepared to face the harsh realities of the world outside of college. Whether in a job or in life, true success is earned, not given. Through hard work, it is absolutely possible to be successful at Hampden-Sydney; so the next time you fail an Arieti paper, relish the opportunity to learn from your mistakes and move forward.

The Fight to Preserve Tradition: H-SC in Support of SBC

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Currently, we will be the last generation of Hampden-Sydney gentlemen to experience the pleasure of co-existing with the ladies of Sweet Briar College. As alumni we will not have the pleasure of seeing our brothers engage in conversation of Boat House or the overwhelming amounts of Lily Pulitzer at tailgates or even see another couple of H-SC/SBC men and women fall in love. Brothers of Hampden-Sydney (past, present, and future) deserve to see the relationship with Sweet Briar College continue just as much as our unofficial sisters of the wonderful college do because their existence is crucial to the Hampden-Sydney experience. Sweet Briar students and alumnae have not stopped fighting for their existence, and neither have we. Hampden-Sydney alumni have gathered to join the fight in various ventures. It is time though that the students

of Hampden-Sydney join the fight on a level beyond Yik Yak or mutual complaining at the Moans.

Why fight though? Sweet Briar College is not even an official sister school to our college; the fight is over, and the closing does not affect us. These are all statements commonly made to excuse ourselves from helping our like-minded guests. However, to succumb to these statements and allow for Sweet Briar to close without "the old college try" is not the mark of a Hampden-Sydney man. There is no fight insurmountable for the Hampden-Sydney man. Our college teaches us to be brave and forward moving in times of difficulty and with any obstacle, the closing of a college that has become tradition for us is calling for our help and we ought to answer. Each student of Hampden-Sydney has been pestered with the "you go to an all-male college?" question, and it is almost clockwork to respond "we have Sweet Briar, an all girl's school." This rationale is not

made by just students though, it is made by our *prospective* students as well during their college decision, therefore with the loss of so many female students Hampden-Sydney College could easily see difficulty in future recruitment. On-campus students may travel to various local colleges at larger rates increasing dead weekends and again cheapening the Hampden-Sydney experience. The loss of Sweet Briar College is not just a loss of one institution but also tradition and friendship among us. The reasons to fight are simple; it is the right thing to do, as gentlemen, for ourselves and our female counter-parts.

What can we do? We are just students, the money cannot be raised, and there is not practical movement for a cause: Again, these are common excuses heard to remove ourselves from the problem. Change starts on the Hill. The students of Hampden-Sydney have long had a powerful voice and are capable of overcoming. Our alumni are involved in the cause to save

Sweet Briar in many ventures. William Ballance '11 has been at the forefront of the movement since the announcement to close on the 3rd of March 2015. He is the creator of "HSC for SBC" that provides sup-

port to our sisters, spreads awareness, and accepts \$5 rose donations to the cause. Every Tiger has that one memory of a Sweet Briar girl, whether it was confirming the ste-

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Professor's Corner: Dr. Nicole Greenspan

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Q: What do you like the most about teaching at Hampden-Sydney and why?

A: It's hard to pick just one because this is a really special place. But if I had to pick one, what stands out to me, especially in the last few semesters, is the small class sizes. You can teach subject matter, but it's always different because the students are different. For me, over the course of the few weeks in the term, I can get a sense of what interests the students have. In terms of teaching, what we do in the classroom is collaborative. It's not just me telling people what to know and what to think, it's that knowledge and collaboration coming from the students in the classroom itself. It cannot be replicated anywhere else; each class is unique.

Q: I know that a lot of professors have a specific field of research or a particular topic that really interests them. Do you have one of these, and if so, what is it?

A: I like news and media history in particular. My fields are 17th century Britain and British Empire. I like to see what is presented in newspapers, what particular stories are being covered, what kind of issues are being discussed, how empire is marketed to perspective investors, settlers, etc.

Q: If I'm not mistaken, you're originally from Canada, correct? When did you first come to the United States, and what has been your favorite part about living here?

A: Yes, I am. 2006 is the first time I moved to the United States when I got the job here. I really love our community here – or rather this sense of community here. I come from a city where there is over 40 million people [sic]. So, it's nice to be part of a closer knit community like this. That sense of familiarity is really nice. This is also by far the most beautiful countryside I've ever been too.

Q: If you could meet one historical figure, dead or alive, who would it be and why?

A: Tom Waits. He is a musician who's had a dozen albums, been making music since the 70s, and still going strong. He changed my life. There's something about the way he tells stories, and that I can listen to his music every day and find something new in it.

Q: What made you want to become a historian?

A: I had no plan originally. I was one of those students who took a while to find herself. It sort of

colonized me as the college years went on, and I remember trying to decide between law school or graduate school, and I thought let's just apply for a master's degree and see what happens. But I think the day I knew that I wanted to not just be a historian but to do it as a career was when I was in the library trying to find a topic to research, and I came across a stack of newspapers from the 1650s and I was so blown away. It was so fascinating. I sat down [on] the floor of the library and read it. By the end of it, it opened all the possibilities of historical research as detective work. You have one piece of evidence, but where is that leading in the path. That was when I knew that I wanted to be a historian and not just some student in graduate school, not sure of what they want to do. That was it.

Q: Are there any projects you're currently working on? If so, what are they and could you tell us a little about them?

A: Right now I'm tracing this story of Charles II and his first mistress. I think it's interesting how they don't go into much depth about her. They just merely say, "That woman is here, or, what are we going to do about that woman?" And she didn't leave her own records so I find it fascinating to trace where she is exactly in this story. They'll talk about everyone but her. There's this big black hole when it comes to her. So I'm trying to go beyond that and try to figure out her story through the archives. But it's hard because not only did anyone back then not say anything, but modern historians since then either haven't mentioned her at all, or if they do they talk about her as some horrible person. So I'm trying to tell a story that, for some reason, doesn't want to be told.



Professor Greenspan with Dean of Faculty Stevens. Photo Credit: hsc.edu

Turner at UCI Continued

"Russell had the knowledge and the ability to be a great player, but that doesn't mean you're going to be a good coach," Shaver said. "What he demonstrated very quickly was the ability to teach, and that's a very unique skill."

Turner's unique teaching ability can most likely be linked back to his time on the Hill, where he was subjected to a distinctive learning environment.

"I think it's an incredible training ground for coaching because it's all-male," Turner said. "The environment that I work in is a men's environment where there is an unspoken honor code, and your abilities to read people, players—men specifically—is a skill you have to have well-developed in my world."

"Hampden-Sydney teaches every four-year graduate how to think, how to work hard, and how to solve unforeseen problems," Vick added. "Winning college basketball games is tough at every school and at every level, but the prepared enjoy success."

Following his lone season at H-SC, Turner got his first shot at the Division I level as an assistant at Wake Forest. After six seasons at Wake, Turner went west, serving four seasons as an assistant under Mike Montgomery at Stanford. He then followed Montgomery to the NBA's Golden State Warriors. After six seasons as a Warriors assistant, Turner finally got his shot at head coach, and was hired by UC Irvine in 2010.

"I'm not surprised he's been very successful," Shaver said. "Honestly, whatever Russell has chosen to do he's been a success at it."

This season, H-SC made the cross-country trip out to Irvine to play UCI. According to Vick, this game had been in the works since Turner took over in Irvine, but it never came to fruition un-

til this year. What took so long? Vick has an interesting theory:

"He would never admit it, but I think he was scared," Vick said. "He remembers vividly he was on a Hampden-Sydney team in 1990 that upset William and Mary and the following year the W&M coach got fired."

Those allegations got a chuckle out of Turner, who promptly dismissed any notion of being scared.

"He knows those are fighting words," Turner laughed. "It wasn't anything like that. You have to make good decisions as a head coach. That's a lot different than being scared."

Banter aside, the game between the D1 Anteaters and D3 Tigers served a bigger purpose than the 82-53 score would suggest, and both coaches were very grateful for the experience.

"I vividly remember the experiences we had playing against Division I teams when I was at Hampden-Sydney, so I knew it would be an experience for the players at Hampden-Sydney," Turner said. "I thought that was an easy way for me to give the program something that really nobody else could give them."

"Going to Irvine this year was a great experience for our team," Vick added, "an experience our young men will never forget."

Last week, Turner and his Anteaters stepped into the national spotlight by almost pulling off the upset against Louisville. After holding a lead as late as 43 seconds left in the game, Irvine found themselves with the ball down two and five seconds remaining. A controversial no-call led to a UCI turnover, and the clock struck mid-

night on their Cinderella hopes.

"It was devastating to have your season end, especially when you feel like you were expecting to move on," Turner said, "but there are clearly mixed emotions that go with that when the team performs well and guys played hard and played with confidence."

The loss was a tough one, but like Vick told Turner the following day: "The world now knows whose mascot is an Ant eater!"

Recognition isn't good enough in Turner's book, however. He doesn't plan to go the Christian Lattner route and rest on his laurels. Instead, he hopes he can continue to build on his program's progress.

"I try not to focus on how far we've come," Turner said. "What I hope will happen is the experience we had will further ignite our hunger to be better."

"That's really what I feel like happened for me at Hampden-Sydney," Turner added. "I was engaged in an academic environment that made me become more curious and more academic-minded. The environment there allowed me to grow, and that's what I'm hoping I can provide for our players and this program."

If you had told the UC Irvine faithful back in 2010 that in five years they lose to Louisville by two in the NCAA Tournament, they would've laughed at you. Throw in that the loss would actually come as a disappointment? Now you're just embarrassing yourself.

But that is the culture Russell Turner has built in his five years at UC Irvine, thanks in large part to the culture he was a part of at Hampden-Sydney over 25 years ago.

Tuition & Fee Increases Continued

as well as get updates from Institutional Advancement and the Annual Fund." In light of the closing of Sweet Briar College, Mr. Culley admits that there are higher levels of anxiety and a lot of questions, but our funding appears to be on track: "When compared to Sweet Briar College and Randolph-Macon College (for example), we match up pretty well to other schools. We look at other schools' assets and spending." He explains that Sweet Briar's downfall happened due to their low enrollment rate despite their providing high tuition discounts to students. Mr. Culley explains that our discount rates are "very competitive ... Some schools have been discounting at a higher rate, (and) we've been able to enroll a suitable freshman class." Based on



Culley. Photo credit: hsc.edu the strategic plan, optimum enrollment lies between 1,100 and 1,150 students. Currently, the problem with implementing higher enrollment is that not enough housing on campus is available for that many students. Yet, there have been "continuing improvements with houses," Mr. Culley explains. Overall, Hampden-Sydney College continues to sustain a strong budget.

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Jarrold Ficklin '11 Shares His Experiences at ESPN

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If you've watched notable ESPN productions like *SportsCenter* or *College GameDay* in the past three years, then you've most likely seen some of 2011 graduate Jarrod Ficklin's work.

Ficklin—who graduated cum laude from H-SC with a B.A. in English—is currently an Associate Producer at ESPN in Bristol, CT.

"My end goal going in to college was to work in business," Ficklin said. "Once I got to Hampden-Sydney, I realized how important writing and storytelling were to me, and I realized how important sports were to me, so I figured the best way to combine them was to go the sports production route."

Ficklin promptly made a name for himself on campus, covering multiple sports teams.

As the "Voice of the Tigers," Ficklin served as the color commentator and public address announcer for the football and basketball teams, hosted a sports talk show on the college radio station, produced his own sports web series on the school's athletic site, and was sports editor of the *Tiger*.

In the summer of 2010, Ficklin interned at the sports department of WDBJ7 in Roanoke, where he reported and anchored for Roanoke's most watched station.

One day, while walking back from class at the beginning of his senior year, Ficklin received a call from ESPN to discuss a possible internship.

"I was lucky that they even looked at my resume," Ficklin said.

After months of interviewing, Ficklin finally landed a summer internship at ESPN as a part-time statistics analyst. Early on, however, Ficklin felt that his creativity was being restricted.

"I felt like I was just plugging in the plot of what was going on rather than the storytelling and analytical aspect of the game," Ficklin said. "I knew in production I would get to do highlights, stories, and features, so that's what I pursued."

Ficklin ended up meeting enough of the right people, and got hired full-time as a Production Assistant (PA) in November of 2011.

As a PA, Ficklin produced *SportsCenter* highlights, including Super Bowl XLVIII, all 2012 major golf championships, and the 2013 BCS National Championship.

After a couple years, Ficklin got promoted to Content Associate, where he wrote teasers for golf majors. He also field produced

throughout the 2014 college football season, and did on-site graphics for *College GameDay*, the 2014 BCS National Championship, and the 2015 College Football Playoff National Championship.

Today, as an Associate Producer, Ficklin, amongst many other things, produces the breakdown of tape that analysts talk over, which includes the features that air before golf tournaments, and the graphics that air on *SportsCenter* after the coverage of an event.

After observing an average day of work, I found it easy to see how useful the skills Ficklin learned at H-SC were to his work at ESPN.

For example, in the middle of his workday, Ficklin had to drop what he was doing and write a script for a Russell Westbrook vignette set to air within the hour.

Ficklin credits his H-SC curriculum with helping him write dozens of teasers and video elements like that.

"Even with something as simple as an email, I try to write like I did in rhetoric," Ficklin said.

H-SC didn't just teach Ficklin how to write, but he also learned how to think.

"There are so many small details that go into sports production that people don't realize," Ficklin said. "There are certain things that people watch and are just like, 'Wow, that's cool,' but there are a lot of reasons why it was cool. We try to pay attention to a lot of things, and be smart surprising."

Not all H-SC skills transfer over to ESPN, however. For instance, very few people reciprocated our warm Hampden-Sydney greetings, but most of those people were famous, so we can let that one slide.

While all these skills are nice, none of Ficklin's opportunities would've been possible had he not gone out and made them happen.



Ficklin at ESPN Headquarters in Bristol, CT. Photo Credit: Max Dash

Acousticals Are "All About That Bass," Plan to Release Album

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The Acousticals, Hampden-Sydney College's very own all male acapella music group, has officially started recording an album! Established in 2007, The Acousticals started as a group of men performing music using their voices as instruments, singing songs from the golden days to modern pop hits. Now their wonderful voices have scored them a record deal. The Acousticals were approached by several record companies to produce an album, including Liquid 5th productions and other acapella production companies based in Richmond. Unfortunately, when I spoke with both David Campbell and David Foulke, they had informed me, "pricing... wasn't within budget." To elaborate on the matter further, it would cost around \$800 per track for The Acousticals to produce with a large record label.

Despite this setback, another opportunity arose with the help of Carson Maki. Maki is currently helping The Acousticals record a CD with eight to ten tracks, which is originally what The Acousticals were trying to achieve, but costing around only \$800 to produce the entire album. Maki was originally

hired to do the sound design for The Acousticals concerts with the aid of the MIC Club. Essentially, he would tweak the sound system to optimize the groups' overall sound production on stage. Interestingly enough, Maki also records for Hampden-Sydney Music's series, so working for The Acousticals would not be his first time handling a heavy project. When I asked David Foulke about his thoughts on locally producing their album, he states "(It may not be) a huge studio, but he's (Maki) got what we need... it sounds nice, and clean... not completely professional, but he produces well."

Currently, The Acousticals are trying to finish the bass line. Once finished with recording the bass lines, then everybody else in the group can begin to record their parts separately. Three songs were completed on Sunday, March 22, but they still have a long way to go before we expect to see a hard copy of the album. I asked both Campbell and Foulke when their fans could expect a potential release, and they both replied, "We are trying to be done with recording before the end of the Spring semester... but we're recording per person for acapella... when it should be 13 guys sing-

ing different parts... (So) we hope to have it before the Fall semester of next year, and sell it at concerts here at H-SC, and concerts at other schools." Despite the uncertain timetable, they remain enthusiastic and optimistic about the situation.

This is amazing news for current students and faculty. However, for seniors who are graduating, you might have to come back for one of The Acousticals performances to get a copy of their CD. However, I also prompted the thought of future CDs, Campbell exclaimed, "That is something to look at down the road, because it depends how many more arrangements we do... We try to do about 6 arrangements per semester, but we are behind this semester because of a busy semester and the recording." It's sad to hear that this may be the first and last CD released by The Acousticals, but I am optimistic that they will pull through and continue to deliver with amazing covers of today's hits.

In all, The Acousticals are on the track to something exciting and new. It marks a new path for them, and it is extremely exciting to see a growth in their acapella group. I wish these amazing guys the best with their album and look forward to the release before the Fall semester of 2015!

Baseball Continued

However, the second game was not as grand as the first for the Tigers. Roanoke woke up and avoided a sweep by taking the second game 11-10. Some offensive highlights for Hampden Sydney include centerfielder Dustin Wiles picking up 3 RBI thanks to his 3-5 performance at the plate. Lee Carneal went 2-5 and had 2 RBI; John Lloyd went 2-4 and had 2 RBI; Spencer Wiles had 2 RBI and he went 2-5.

By St. Patrick's Day, the Tigers returned home to Ty Cobb Ballpark to face the Virginia Wesleyan Marlins. Hampden Sydney avenged their previous loss to the Marlins with a tight 5-4 victory. Cather Jack Elliot contributed to the Tiger offense with a home run in the 5th inning. Other notable hitting stats include an RBI for first baseman Jeff Gray, Lee Carneal's 2-4 performance with an RBI, and Jackson Rogers going 2-4 against the Marlins pitchers. Pitcher Billy Nixon picked up the win thanks to a 5 strikeout, 5 2/3 innings performance. Teddy West picked up the save as he struck out 2 Marlins.

The joy of the win did not last long, as a doubleheader against Shenandoah on March 22 belonged to Shenandoah. The first

game resulted in a 4-1 loss for the Tigers, and the second game saw Shenandoah shut out the Tigers 7-0. Dustin Wiles had the best plate performance for HSC in the first game as he was 2-3, and Spencer Wiles had an RBI to go with his 1-4 performance, too. Christian Hamlett had the lone Tiger hit in the second game.

On March 25, HSC traveled to arch-rival Randolph-Macon for a pivotal ODAC game. In a miraculous turn of events, the Tigers upset Randolph-Macon in extra innings with a 5-4 victory. The crisp spring air gave the players a comfortable playing temperature, but the stakes were red-hot. Both teams exchanged jabs as the score was tied 4-4 after 9 innings. In the top of the 12th, Lee Carneal hit an RBI single that drove in the winning run. Jack Elliot went 3-6, and Jackson Rogers went 3-5 with 2 RBI. Rogers was also credited with the win on the pitcher's mound, while Zack Whitaker and Teddy West paved the way for Rogers with a combined 7 strikeouts over 9 1/3 innings.

The Tigers will return to Ty Cobb Ballpark for an 8 game home stand that begins this Saturday and Sunday with doubleheaders against ODAC members Eastern Mennonite and Emory & Henry, respectively. First pitch is at high noon for both game days.